

never yielded. She once said to me that the media had convinced Americans they were all "middle class" and that had bred a dangerous political complacency among the working class of people and the poor, who struggled daily to gain an economic foothold in our country. Their interests will not be served by false images of how hard and political this struggle is really.

The new director of the organization she founded, the National Training and Information Center, recalled that Gale—a mother of six sons and a widow—loved to dance. His message to the people upon taking the reigns as director began with a quote from an old Shaker hymn. The words seem to sum up Gale's legacy quite well: "They buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance and I still go on." Surely, she lives among us.

IN MEMORY OF M.L. "MIKE"  
ANGLIN

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. HALL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I speak today in memory of M.L. "Mike" Anglin, of Longview, Texas, a beloved member of his community, a veteran and loving father, who passed away at the age of 85.

Mike spent his life serving his country and community. He was the Commander of the American Legion Post #140 for over 30 years. Because of his long service there, he was saluted as the Texas State American Legion veteran of the year on three separate occasions. He was a Lieutenant in World War II but became a General for his veterans back in East Texas. Without his help, VFW posts 4002, 1183, 140 and 131 would not have even existed. He also worked to obtain the Veterans Clinic in Longview. Beyond the American Legion, Mike was active in 4-H, March of Dimes, Boys and Girls State and was one of the original organizers of the East Texas State Fair.

This loving family-man is survived by his wife, Zelma, two daughters, Celia and Cynthia, three sisters and a granddaughter. He not only loved his county but cared for its people. East Texas has lost a unique individual and he will be missed. We will remember with sadness the passing of a true American, a beloved father, and a legend in East Texas who will not easily be forgotten—M.L. "Mike" Anglin.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ELI  
MARTINEZ

HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a solemn heart and yet great pride that I take this opportunity to pay respect to a United States Marine, Eli Martinez. Eli was killed over a year ago during training exercise at the age of twenty-one. He was a well-respected young man who is dearly missed by the community

of Trinidad, Colorado who relied on him for his willingness and desire to help others. His legacy of kindness now has the opportunity to pass on through the efforts of his mother, Marie Martinez. She has recently established a memorial fund to continue Eli's quest to better his surroundings and his community. As she begins this quest, I would like to recognize her son before this body of Congress, and this nation.

According to his mother, Eli's purpose and goal in life was to simply help others in any way possible. At the age of seventeen, he could often be found praying for those in need, those who were sick, and those who were less fortunate. He reached out and touched the lives of people from all walks of life in Trinidad, regardless of age, class, or religion, and was known as a truly kind soul. Eli felt that the ultimate gift to others was to serve them in difficult and trying circumstances. He joined the Marines at the age of eighteen and was well respected amongst his fellow Marines, and officers. Like many members of our armed forces, Eli believed that it is every young person's duty to be willing to pay the ultimate sacrifice for their country. Unfortunately Eli was called upon to pay that price, but his memory lives on. The new Eli Martinez Foundation Fund, created by Marie Martinez, will continue the work that Eli began. Contributions to the fund will go to a variety of causes close to Eli's heart, including the homeless and troubled youths.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to pay tribute to Eli Martinez for his contributions to the Trinidad community and to our nation. His dedication to his community, his fellow man, and to the protection of our freedoms deserves the recognition of this body of Congress, and a grateful nation. Eli is a fine example for young people of this country who strive to better themselves and improve the lives of others. Although Eli has left us, his selfless spirit will live on through the lives of those he touched, and through the efforts of his mother, Marie. Eli, thank you for your service, you will be greatly missed.

ON THE PASSING OF RABBI  
ISRAEL MILLER

HON. MICHAEL R. McNULTY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Rabbi Israel Miller—a great leader of our Jewish Community and a great American.

Rabbi Miller was a man of vision. As president of the Conference of Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, he combined passion with dignity in his negotiations with foreign governments. He was able to achieve a landmark compensation agreement for the criminal theft that was part of the Nazi barbarity against the Jewish people.

Rabbi Miller played an outstanding role in American Jewish life. He served as chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations and was its spokesperson on matter relating to Israel and international affairs in the United States and abroad. He

had a special interest in helping the Jews behind the Iron Curtain, as evidenced by his national leadership of the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry.

He left his imprint on virtually every major facet of American Jewish life as the founding president of the American Zionist Federation, founder of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, vice president of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee, and president of the Rabbinical Council of America.

Throughout his life, Rabbi Miller sought to build bridges of understanding and respect among people of different religious, racial and ethnic origins. He believed that every human being should be able to live in safety, "and there shall be none to make him afraid."

What a legacy Rabbi Israel Miller left us. He will be sorely missed.

RETIREMENT CONGRATULATIONS  
TO ROBERT MAXWELL

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to have the opportunity to publicly recognize the life's work of one of Toledo, Ohio's most notable citizens, Robert Maxwell, who is retiring from his career after 38 years. Truly, Robert Maxwell is a "Golden Guy."

Bob moved through the ranks of the Lathrop Company, over which he began a tenure as President in 1986. That tenure saw outstanding growth as he developed the Lathrop Company into a premier construction company in our region.

Even as he built the company, Bob fulfilled a deep sense of commitment to the community, involving himself in many concerns including 911 services, Toledo Public Schools' Partners In Education, the Toledo Area Chamber of Commerce, the Local Initiatives Support Corporation and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society to name but a few.

Although Bob is well known as an excellent businessman and community oriented philanthropist, his true passion is his family. Always, his wife and children are first in his mind and heart and his pride in his family is evident. He will surely receive many accolades upon his retirement, as he has throughout his career, both from his peers and the organizations he supports, but none are so important as his family and his place in it. In fact, he will tell you that his family means everything to him. Thus, though he leaves a storied career, it is to his family that he retires.

The writer David Lawrence once wrote, "My soul knows that I am part of the human race, my soul is an organic part of the great human race, as my spirit is part of my nation. In my very own self, I am part of my family." Perhaps unconsciously, Bob Maxwell lived out this thought. Professionally and civically, he addresses his responsibility and his place in the family of man. Personally, he carries forth as a family man. Now as he leaves the working world, we wish Bob all the best in his retirement. May he spend his days doing all that he enjoys with those he loves.